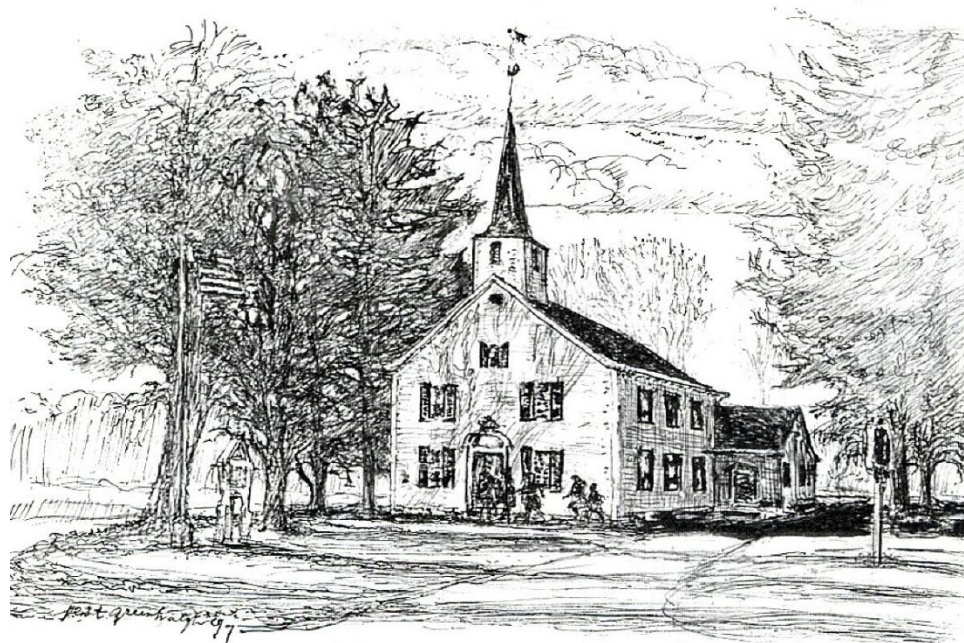


# NEW HEMPSTEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*The English Church  
Founded in 1734*

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New City,  
New York



**Rev. Angela Maddalone**  
Pastor

**Lois Anderson**  
Music Director

**Second Sunday of Epiphany**  
**January 19, 2025**

\*All who are able are invited to stand.

**TIME OF SILENT MEDITATION** **10:55-11 AM**

**PRELUDE** *“Piano Jazz Meditations”* Dan Crisci

**GREETING** Lay Leader

**WELCOME**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT** *“Sing Out, My Soul”* Jacques Berthier

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Inspired by Psalm 36:7-9) (Responsively)** Lay Leader

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! May all people take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

**We feast on the abundance of your house, and you give us drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

**With deep gratitude we worship God!**

**\*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)**

**Magnificent God, we come to draw near to you. Your presence among us sustains and challenges us. In you, we find strength and surprises. May the songs we sing, the prayers we pray, the word proclaimed, and the lives touched honor your name. We give you glory and honor. We welcome you and pray that your spirit shapes us with fresh wind, power, and compassion. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”* #366

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

Let us humbly approach God’s throne of grace to confess our sins and present ourselves honestly before our Savior. Let us pray:

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)**

**You have blessed us with a variety of gifts, Holy God, but we are at times reluctant to use them in ways that benefit others. We tend to hoard what is most valuable and make excuses for ourselves when called to share. Yet we know the Holy Spirit has blessed each of us uniquely, even if at times we fail to rise to our potential. God, forgive us and embolden us. Help us to claim our gifts and put them to good use for the sake of your good creation. Amen.**

**\*MOMENT FOR SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Responsively)**

Our God is a loving God, full of mercy.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Believe in this forgiveness, be at peace, and respond in grateful service. **Amen.**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *“Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me” #582*  
*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,*  
*and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.*

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*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

Please be seated following the Sung Response

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In Unison)**

Lay Leader

**Holy God, we need the guidance of your Word. Help us be honest with ourselves and with you in this sacred moment of proclamation. Send the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to your word for us today. Amen.**

**FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 62:1-5 (pgs. 641-642)**

Lay Leader

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

*“The Storm is Passing Over”*

Charles Tindley

**A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

Rev. Angela Maddalone

**SECOND READING**

**John 2:1-11 (pg. 923)**

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

**Using Our Gifts**

Rev. Angela Maddalone

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (In Unison) (From a Brief Statement of Faith)**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Minister: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

**\*HYMN**

*“As the Wind Song”*

**#292**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

Our God blesses us with extravagance and abundance. Grateful for all we have been given, let us present our tithes and offerings to the Lord.

**PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

*“Simple Gifts”*

Joseph Brackett, Jr.

PRAYER CARDS

Please fill out and place your Prayer Card in the offering plate

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**#606**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In Unison)**

**Just as Jesus turned gallons of water into wine, we too know God's extravagant blessings. Take these gifts we give today and bless them, Holy God, that others may know your abundance and live whole and healthy lives. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

*"We Will Go Out With Joy"*

**#539**

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

God's grace is extravagant and abundant, know this grace in your life

**We will share this grace with others.**

May God the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, bless us this day and forevermore. Amen.

**Amen and Amen!**

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*"Amen, We Praise Your Name"*

South African

**POSTLUDE**

*"Sweet Hour of Prayer"*

arr. Paul Johnston

*The worship is over. The service begins....*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME VISITORS**

We welcome all visitors. We are glad you were able to be with us today and look forward to seeing you again.

**MAILING LIST**

If you would like to be on our mailing or phone list please send your request with your name, address, e-mail and/or phone number to either [office@nhpchurch.org](mailto:office@nhpchurch.org) or [newhempsteadpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com](mailto:newhempsteadpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com) and we will add you to our lists.

**Lay Leader: Susan Truss**

**Children's Story Time/Sunday School meets during the Sermon time in the Colonial room. Please feel free to join us!**

There is a Bible study with Ed Garcia on Wednesdays at 10am. All are welcome!

Our Sunday Bible study meets after worship. All are welcome!!

**Please plan to celebrate Angela's Installation with us on January 26 at 4 pm!**

**Food Insecurity continues to be an issue in Rockland County. We know that significant numbers of people are living below the poverty line in Spring Valley, in other areas near our church, and in the county in general. Our church is trying to do something about it by collecting contributions to the food pantry. You are encouraged to help by purchasing something extra each week that you go grocery shopping and bring it to church on Sunday. We will make sure that your gifts get to People to People. Recommended food items include breakfast cereal, boxed mac and cheese, boxed pasta, peanut butter, jelly, and juice. Alternatively, monetary contributions marked "Food Drive" can be placed in the collection plate. Any contribution is gratefully accepted.**

**If you have someone on the prayer list on the back of the bulletin please let us know if they should remain on the list.**

Can't make it to church? Join us via Livestream on YouTube! Use the link below or just search for "New Hempstead Presbyterian Church" ***All are advised*** that the front of the church from the lectern to the piano are visible on our livestream. To avoid being seen on the livestream, the pews and the driveway-side aisle are not visible.

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